

DISPATCH		CLASSIFICATION SECRET	DISPATCH SYMBOL AND NO. EA5A-5175
TO INFO	Chief of Station, Vienna Attn: Chief, EE (Attn: [])		HEADQUARTERS FILE NO. 6-124-27/3
FROM	Chief of Base, Salzburg		DATE
SUBJECT	GRCROOND/OPERATIONAL Status of Air Reception Caches		RE: "43-3" — (CHECK "X" ONE) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> MARKED FOR INDEXING <input type="checkbox"/> NO INDEXING REQUIRED
ACTION REQUIRED	See paragraph 2 below.		INDEXING CAN BE JUDGED BY QUALIFIED HQ. DESK ONLY

REFERENCE(S)

1. Rumors have reached the field that the Air Reception Homing and DE Beacon (AE/URG-4) is no longer being considered for use and that planes being sent on missions involving air reception by staybehind agents will probably not be equipped to use it. SOB has reports on nine such devices buried in blind (location has not been revealed to an agent) caches in Western Austria. An additional one is buried under an outbuilding on GEBLANED-4's property and is in his custody. Buried with each unit of equipment for use of the reception committee in signaling a plane are six "modified" Piccolo Lamps. As an agent can use a tin can with gasoline-soaked sand more securely, and possibly just as effectively, as the Piccolo Lamps, it seems that these caches have only salvage value.

2. Would Headquarters please furnish information on the value of this equipment. If it is obsolete would there be any significant recovery value, considering Case Officer time, if they were retrieved? Would there be any security objections to abandoning them, especially the one left in GEBLANED-4's care? (This is a factor to be considered in effecting his pending termination.)

3. Cache #9 also contains a quantity of sabotage material. It is suggested that this be left untouched for its value as a sabotage cache. It is possible that when this cache was exhumed for inclusion of the sabotage material and reburied that the new location was not reported to Headquarters or London. The proper directions to be used as a supplement to the original cache report are forwarded (under separate cover) to Headquarters as Attachment #1 to this dispatch. If copies are not already in Headquarters files, these can be inserted and copies forwarded to London. They do not need to be returned to SOB in either case.

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Attachments: U/S/C (#1 & #2)

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